

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please cancel the Abstract section of the specification and replace with the following:

A peel-type blind rivet assembly (110) for setting in relatively soft material and comprising an elongate tubular body (102) having a shank (106) with an enlarged head (108). A free end (114) of the shank, remote from the head (108), has an expandable portion formed by a plurality of slots (112) extending partway along the shank from this remote end (114). A mandrel (104) has a stem, and a mandrel head (126) with a maximum external diameter greater than the internal diameter of the body (102), wherein at least one of the plurality of slots (112) increases in width as it extends from an outer surface of the shank towards an inner surface of the shank.